



Research Facilities in Rocky Mountain National Park

The Continental Divide Research & Learning Center, through the Resource Management and Research Division, operates two facilities for researchers in Rocky Mountain National Park: the Research Dorm and McGraw Research Ranch (a former cattle and guest ranch). With permission, researchers may also stay in the group loop of Moraine Park Campground. Extremely limited space for researchers may be available in park housing or the campground on the west side of the park.

The Research Dorm

Researchers must have a signed permit to stay in park facilities. The dorm, ranch, and campgrounds are filled on a first-come, first-serve basis.

Reservations are required for all facilities.

To make a reservation, email:
ROMO_Research_Administration@nps.gov

Location: near park headquarters, 3 miles west of Estes Park, Colorado

Operating dates: mid-April to the end of September each year

Maximum capacity: sixteen

Cost: \$54.66/bi-weekly (2004)

Who can stay: researchers staying for long-term, short-term, or infrequent visits; no overnight guests

Accessibility: fully accessible

Accommodations: four rooms with four single beds each, shared bath and kitchen facilities

Additional facilities: great room with couches and desks, coin-op laundry within walking distance

McGraw Research Ranch

Location: 5 miles north of Estes Park, Colorado

Operating dates: year-round

Maximum capacity: fourteen

Cost: \$54.66/bi-weekly (2004)

Who can stay: researchers staying a minimum of eight weeks or conducting research in winter

Accessibility: one cabin and all common facilities are fully accessible

Accommodations: four cabins with private rooms and shared bath; one three-person cabin with shared bedroom, bath, and kitchen; one fully accessible cabin with private bath; one cabin with private livingroom and bath

Additional facilities: shared kitchen, laundry, living room, work room, and small conference room; computer plug-in area; field lab

